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STILLMAN DISCUSSES THE BIEN LAW

Pendleton, Nov. 29.—(Editor East Oregonian.)—I read with great interest an article contributed to the Baker City Herald by "Irrigator," reprinted in your issue of November 18, and your editorial comment of the same date on the irrigation law proposed for Oregon by Mr. Bien, and printed in the East Oregonian of November 18, 1904.

My attention was arrested by your declaration that "the East Oregonian believes the Bien law is about as perfect as such a law could be made," since this is the first time I have heard such an opinion from anyone who has read the Bien law. Irrigators, and by this I mean those who have irrigated land or are engaged in irrigation enterprises, unqualifiedly condemn it.

**Present Law Is Satisfactory.**

One reason why the law proposed is without merit is that it contains not a single good feature that is not the law in this state today, and confirmed and fixed beyond any question by the supreme court of this state. It is the law in this state today, that:

- (1) The use of the waters of the lakes and streams of this state for irrigation purposes is a public use.
- (2) All unappropriated, non-navigable waters within the state are subject to appropriation for beneficial use.
- (3) No person or company can retain the control or occupancy of any water that is not beneficially used.
- (4) The rules for determining the priority to the right to use water, as well as the quantity of water that any claimant can beneficially use are clearly defined and easily ascertained.
- (5) Every drop of water in every non-navigable lake and stream may be diverted and used for irrigating purposes.
- (6) Any individual, by complying with very simple regulations, may bring to his aid the right of eminent domain vested in the state to secure the right of way for ditches, canals, dams and reservoir sites.

All this the Bien law proposes to wipe out, and in most cases provides no adequate substitute. It is manifest folly to destroy what is now the law of the state, broad and salutary, as in the six principles that I have stated. If any change is made, it should be by adding to the present comprehensive and equitable law of the state.

Your suggestion that the burden on the state for the additional boards and officers would be about \$16,000 per year, is unfortunate, since in Section 62 of the act, an appropriation of \$40,000 is called for to start the thing; and I will defy anyone to determine from the act itself, or by any method of calculation based upon the act, what the new machine would cost the taxpayers of the state, without considering at all the extraordinary and unlimited burdens the act empowers the various officers and boards to lay direct upon the unfortunate water users.

**Must Measure Streams.**

There are several items, each an integral part of the scheme, worthy of special note. The items are too numerous to be mentioned in detail in a short communication like this, but one item is that hydrographic surveys must at once be made of every stream in the state (no limit on expense or means employed) and as quickly as the survey of the streams is completed, the attorney general must within 60 days enter suit (Sec. 15) to determine the rights of every water user in that stream system.

To be sure, the act graciously provides that each defendant, that is, every water user, in the system, individually, must pay his own costs and attorney's fees, and in no case is it permitted that the unfortunate water user can recover any costs from the state in the suit the state has brought against him, and this, whether there is a drop of water in that stream unappropriated or unused, or not, or whether or not every irrigator on that stream is using only the exact amount of water he owns and needs to use and every other water user in the system is satisfied! This feature of the Bien law provides splendid feasts for the water engineers and lawyers, whether the farmers or taxpayers like it or not.

Another feature is that every irrigation stream system will be controlled by a wonderfully and fearfully constructed "system" of officers and boards, having its head and seat at the capital, Salem, from 300 to 360 miles as travel goes, from the irrigated lands of the state.

**Favors the District.**

As the law is in the state today each stream system, or all the people irrigating from a common source, may organize themselves into a municipal corporation, clothed with the powers of the state, for the purpose of regulating the beneficial use of all the water in their own district. Thus, the users of water from the Umatilla river or any portion of it, can regulate their affairs within themselves, without interference from Salem, or any water users on the Walla Walla river; and so can those irrigating from the Walla Walla, or any other stream in the state.

**Condemns the Law.**

I am unable to discover a single good feature of the Bien law that is not now the law of the state, and I am wholly unable to discover any advantage to the people, the state, or irrigation, that will be obtained for the enormous expense burden the proposed law imposes upon both the state and the water users. Before anyone endorses the draft, he should read it carefully and calculate the effect and cost of its adoption as a law.

If there is any probability that the next legislature will seriously consider the draft submitted by Mr. Bien, I believe that some one should first point out some feature that is better than the law as it now exists, and then some compensating good for the enormous burden it creates. I do not believe that it has at the present time the support of a single practical irrigator in the state who has read it.

I do not offer these suggestions in any spirit of carping criticism, but only that we may all look before we leap, unblinded by the brilliant halo that somehow surrounds the name of Bien, a gentleman, that many of us never heard of, most of us don't know, and who, as I understand, is not yet a citizen of the state. All of us are ignorant of any achievement on his part that would impel us to swallow what he spoons out, without looking or tasting. I make with all seriousness the suggestion that if there is any good in his draft that is new to this state, it be pointed out, and that before we decide that any feature of it is good, we look it over carefully to see that it secretes no wolf.

Respectfully yours,  
 A. D. STILLMAN.

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Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 29.—The poultry and pet stock show which opened here today is the largest and most notable exhibition of its kind ever given in this part of the Dominion. The entries number several thousand and include choice specimens of turkeys, geese, ducks, chickens and other varieties of poultry in addition to an elaborate display of dogs, cats, Belgian hares and other pet stock. The exhibition will continue through the remainder of the week.

**St. Andrew's Brotherhood.**

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 26.—Several scores of delegates are taking part in the district convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, which opened its sessions today in St. Mary's church in this city. The chief purpose of the conference is to outline plans for the future work of the brotherhood. Among the prominent divines taking part are Bishop Brown, of Arkansas, Bishop Gallor, of Tennessee, and Bishop Bratton, of Mississippi.

**To Fix State Fair Dates.**


Chicago, Nov. 26.—Members of the American Association of Fairs and Expositions are rounding up at the Grand Pacific hotel for their annual meeting tonight. The purpose of the meeting is to fix the dates for holding the fairs of the middle west during the coming year.

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| White and yellow chambers, regular price, 75c and 80c; now .....                            | 50c     |
| Water glasses, regular price 50c per dozen; now .....                                       | 35c     |
| Half gallon jugs, regular price, 50c; now .....   | 35c     |
| Dinner sets, 100 pieces. Johnston Bros. English porcelain, regular price \$12.50; now ..... | \$9.50  |
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